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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1085

BY AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC CERVIDAE; AMENDING CHAPTER 37, TITLE 25, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 25-3704A, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTIFIED DOMESTIC CERVIDAE HERDS, TO DEFINE A TERM, TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF OBEX SAMPLES TO APPROVED LABORATORIES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS AND ASSESSMENT OF RISK, TO PROVIDE FOR PERIODIC VERIFICATION OF DOMESTIC CERVIDAE FARM AND RANCH INVENTORIES OR ANIMALS HELD AND INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION BY STATE OR FEDERAL ANIMAL HEALTH OFFICIALS, TO PROVIDE THAT CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE SAMPLING REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE BASED ON SUBMISSION OF AN OBEX SAMPLE, TO PROVIDE FOR WAIVER REQUESTS, TO PROVIDE FOR REDUCTION IN STATUS AND TO CLARIFY GOVERNANCE AND TESTING PROVISIONS FOR THOSE HERDS THAT ARE NOT CERTIFIED; AND AMENDING SECTION 25-3708, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE FEE IMPOSED ON DOMESTIC CERVIDAE SHALL INCLUDE ALL DO-MESTIC CERVIDAE PRESENT AT THE FARM OR RANCH AS OF DECEMBER 31 AND ALL DOMESTIC CERVIDAE IMPORTED FROM OUTSIDE OF THE STATE THAT DIE DURING THE SAME CALENDAR YEAR, TO CLARIFY THAT FEES SHALL ONLY BE USED BY THE IDAHO STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF A FUND, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE USE OF MON-

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 37, Title 25, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW SECTION</u>, to be known and designated as Section 25-3704A, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

EYS COLLECTED AND TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL ACCOUNTING REPORTS.

25-3704A. CERTIFIED DOMESTIC CERVIDAE HERD -- ESTABLISHED REQUIRE-MENTS -- REDUCTION OF STATUS. Any domestic cervidae herd on a domestic cervidae farm or ranch having been in a state, federal or provincial chronic wasting disease (CWD) program, testing one hundred percent (100%) of testable animals over sixteen (16) months of age, that die or are otherwise slaughtered or destroyed, for at least the past five (5) consecutive years, shall be known as a certified domestic cervidae herd. For the purpose of this chapter, "testable" shall mean any cervidae from a domestic cervidae farm or ranch that has died from any cause that has been located by any farm or ranch owner, authorized agent or employee of the operation or any designated regulating agency of the domestic cervidae industry with intact and undeteriorated brain tissue. The farm or ranch owner or authorized agent shall have the obex submitted to an Idaho state department of agriculture approved laboratory. Notwithstanding any rule requirements to the contrary, once certified, the farm or ranch owner or authorized agent and the administrator may establish inventory verification requirements, CWD sampling requirements, facility inspection requirements and assessment of risk specific for that farming or ranching operation. Once certified, state or federal

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animal health officials shall verify all domestic cervidae farm and ranch inventories or animals held and individual identification no more than once every thirty-six (36) months. The CWD sampling requirement shall be based on submission of an obex sample of not more than twenty percent (20%) of testable animals from certified herds, hunting and slaughter facilities. In the event a domestic cervidae farm or ranch cannot submit a viable brain sample, the domestic cervidae farm or ranch shall submit on a form approved by the administrator, a waiver request within forty-eight (48) hours of determining that a viable brain sample cannot be submitted. Any certified domestic cervidae herd that adds additional cervidae by importation to its herd that has or has not been in a state, federal or provincial CWD program for the past five (5) years shall reduce its status of a certified herd, and shall drop their herd status to the lower status of the herds involved. Any domestic cervidae herd that is not certified shall be governed by applicable Idaho state department of agriculture rules, and continue to test one hundred percent (100%) of testable animals.

SECTION 2. That Section 25-3708, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

25-3708. FEES. There is hereby imposed, on domestic cervidae, a fee, not to exceed five dollars (\$5.00) per head per year and shall be due on January 1 of each year. The fee shall include all domestic cervidae present at the farm or ranch as of December 31 and all domestic cervidae imported from outside of the state that die during the same calendar year. The fee shall be used by the Idaho state department of agriculture, division of animal industries, only for the prevention, control and eradication of diseases of domestic cervidae, the inspection of domestic cervidae and domestic cervidae farms or ranches, and administration of the domestic cervidae program. There is hereby created in the state treasury, a fund to be known as the domestic cervidae program fund. All moneys collected under this provision shall be deposited in the livestock disease control and tuberculosis indemnity this fund and used by the Idaho state department of agriculture, division of animal industries, for the domestic cervidae program. An annual detailed accounting report of all expenditures shall be completed and provided to all interested parties.